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Application Number: 10/083,550	)	Examiner
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Filed: February 27, 2002	)	
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For: METHOD FOR EVALUATING DNA	)	
PROBES POSITION ON SUBSTRATE	)	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/RESPONSE**

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 28, 2008, and the Advisory Action mailed October 7, 2008, the period of response to which is set to expire on October 28, 2008, with a fee for a two-month extension submitted herewith. A Request for Continued Examination is also submitted herewith. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: